### Amendments to the Specification:

Please <u>delete</u> the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 4 (under the heading "Cross Reference to Related Applications"), and <u>replace</u> it with the following paragraph:

#### CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Appln. Serial No. 09/198,779, filed November 24, 1998 (abandoned), which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/067,000, filed November 24, 1997; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/066,873, filed November 25, 1997; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/069,472, filed December 9, 1997; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/074,201, filed February 10, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/074,280, filed February 10, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/074,281, filed February 10, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/074,282, filed February 10, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/074,565, filed February 12, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/074,566, filed February 12, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/074,567, filed February 12, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/074,789, filed February 19, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/075,459, filed February 19, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/075,460, filed February 19, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/075,461, filed February 19, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/075,462, filed February 19, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/075,463, filed February 19, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/075,464, filed February 19, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/077,229, filed March 9, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/077,230, filed March 9, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/077,231, filed March 9, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/078,031, filed March 16, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/078,368, filed March 18, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/080,844, filed April 7, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/083,067, filed April 27, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/083,386, filed

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April 29, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/083,387, filed April 29, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/083,388, filed April 29, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/083,389, filed April 29, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/084,684, filed May 8, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/085,222, filed May 13, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/085,223, filed May 13, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/085,224, filed May 13, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/085,245, filed May 13, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/086,183, filed May 21,1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/086,184, filed May 21, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/086,185, filed May 21, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/086,186, filed May 21, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/086,187, filed May 21, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/086,188, filed May 21, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/086,339, filed May 21, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/089,524, filed June 16, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/089,810, filed June 18, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/089,814, filed June 18, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/091,247, filed June 30, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/092,036, filed July 8, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/099,667, filed September 9, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/099,668, filed September 9, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/099,670, filed September 9, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/099,697, filed September 9, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/100,672, filed September 16, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/100,673, filed September 16, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/100,674, filed September 16, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/101,130, filed September 21, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/101,132, filed September 21, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/108,996, filed November 18, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/109,018, filed November 18, 1998. This application is also a continuation-in-part of U.S. Appln. Serial No. 09/227,586, filed January 8, 1999 (abandoned), which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/071,064, filed January 9, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/090,170, filed June 22, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No.

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60/092,036, filed July 8, 1998. This application is also a continuation-in-part of U.S. Appln. Serial No. 09/229,413, filed January 12, 1999 (abandoned), which claims the benefit of U.S. Appln. Serial. No. 60/071,479, filed January 13, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial. No. 60/085,533, filed May 15, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial. No. 60/089,806, filed June 18, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial. No. 60/089,807, filed June 18, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial. No. 60/089,808, filed June 18, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial. No. 60/089,811, filed June 18, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial. No. 60/089,812, filed June 18, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial. No. 60/089,813, filed June 18, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial. No. 60/091,247, filed June 30, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial. No. 60/091,405, filed June 30, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial. No. 60/099,697, filed September 9, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial. No. 60/100,963, filed September 17, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial. No. 60/101,343, filed September 22, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial. No. 60/101,344, filed September 22, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial. No. 60/101,347, filed September 22, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial. No. 60/101,508, filed September 22, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial. No. 60/101,707, filed September 25, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial. No. 60/104,124, filed October 13, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial. No. 60/104,126, filed October 13, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial. No. 60/104,127, filed October 13, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial. No. 60/104,128, filed October 13, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial. No. 60/111,981, filed December 11, 1998. This application also claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/072,027, filed January 21, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/072,888, filed January 27, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/076,709, filed March 4, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/076,912, filed March 6, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/078,031, filed March 16, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/083,390, filed April 29, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/084,684, filed May 8, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/085,057, filed May 8, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/085,429, filed May 8, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/085,245, filed May 13, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln.

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Serial No. 60/085,533, filed May 15, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/085,940, filed May 19, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/086,339, filed May 21, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/086,594, filed May 22, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/086,608, filed May 22, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/087,422, filed June 1, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/087,631, filed June 2, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/087,762, filed June 2, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/087,972 filed June 4, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/087,973 filed June 4, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/088,441, filed June 8, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/089,627, filed June 16, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/089,789, filed June 18, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/090,170, filed June 22, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/090,856, filed June 26, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/090,928, filed June 26, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/091,035, filed June 29, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/091,247, filed June 30, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/091,405, filed June 30, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/092,036, filed July 8, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/100,963, filed September 17, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/110,108, filed November 25, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/110,109, filed November 25, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/111,033, filed December 4, 1998; and to U.S. Provisional Appln. Serial No. 60/111,742, filed December 10, 1998.

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### Conclusion

Applicants respectfully request entry of the aforementioned amendments to the abovecaptioned application.

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